

STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

: IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

STEVEN R. PARADISE, D.D.S., RESPONDENT.

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The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stats. sec. 227.53 are:

Steven R. Paradise, D.D.S. 3415 30th Avenue Kenosha, WI 53142

Dentistry Examining Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing Division of Enforcement P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

### FINDINGS OF FACT

- Steven R. Paradise (D.O.B. 09/27/49) is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a dentist (license #015 5001220). This license was first granted on May 24, 1973.
- Respondent's latest address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 3415 30th Avenue, Kenosha, WI 53142...
- During the course of treatment of patient MM, Respondent's office failed to document the treatment of tooth # 12.

- 4. Respondent failed to establish procedures to document prescriptions on patient records.
- 5. On June 14, 1988, Respondent's office submitted a claim to an insurance company for payment for the construction and placement of a bridge involving teeth # 29, 30 and 31 of patient MM. Respondent's office received payment from both the insurance company and the patient, but did not determine that an overpayment had been made. After the overpayment was detected reimbursement was made to the insurance carrier.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

By the conduct described above, Steven R. Paradise is subject to disciplinary action against his license to practice as a dentist in the state of Wisconsin, pursuant to Wis. Stats. sec. 447.07(3)(a), and Wis. Adm. Code sec. DE 5.02(5) and (8).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Steven R. Paradise shall successfully complete a course of instruction of at least ten hours in modern dental record keeping.

The course outline must be pre-approved by the Board no later than two months from the date of this Order. No outline will be approved unless Respondent discloses the name of the institution offering the instruction, the name of the instructor, and the content of the course he intends to study. Respondent shall submit certification of completion of the course to the Board within six months from the date of this Order. None of the course work completed pursuant to this Order may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirement that may be instituted by the Board.

The rights of a party aggrieved by this Decision to petition the Board for rehearing and to petition for judicial review are set forth on the attached "Notice of Appeal Information".

This Order shall become effective upon the date of its signing.

DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

By: Thomas & Proceed DDS 5-5-93

A member of the Board Date

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# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF : DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST : STIPULATION STEVEN R. PARADISE, D.D.S., : 90 DEN 009 RESPONDENT :

It is hereby stipulated between Steven A. Paradise, D.D.S., personally on his own behalf and James W. Harris, Attorney for the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Division of Enforcement, as follows that:

- 1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation of Steven R. Paradise's licensure by the Division of Enforcement. Respondent consents to the resolution of this investigation by stipulation and without the issuance of a formal complaint.
- 2. Respondent understands that by the signing of this Stipulation he voluntarily and knowingly waives his rights, including: the right to a hearing on the allegations against him, at which time the state has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence; the right to confront and cross—examine the witnesses against him; the right to call witnesses on his behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena; the right to testify himself; the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision; the right to petition for rehearing; and all other applicable rights afforded to him under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, and the Wisconsin Administrative Code.
- 3. Respondent is aware of his right to seek legal representation and has been provided the opportunity to seek legal advice prior to signing this stipulation.
- 4. Respondent agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order by the Dentistry Examining Board. The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Respondent waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.
- 5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall be returned to the Division of Enforcement for further proceedings. In the event that this Stipulation is not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or

biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

- 6. The parties to this stipulation agree that the attorney for the Division of Enforcement may appear before the Dentistry Examining Board for the purpose of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that the members of the Board may have in connection with their deliberation concerning the stipulation.
- 7. The Division of Enforcement joins the Respondent in recommending that the Dentistry Examining Board adopt this stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order.

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Date

Steven R. Paradise, D.D.S.

James W. Harris, Attorney

Division of Enforcement

#### NOTICE OF APPEAL INFORMATION

(Notice of Rights for Rehearing or Judicial Review, the times allowed for each, and the identification of the party to be named as respondent)

The following notice is served on you as part of the final decision:

## 1. Rehearing.

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Any person aggrieved by this order may petition for a rehearing within 20 days of the service of this decision, as provided in section 227.49 of the Wisconsin Statutes, a copy of which is attached. The 20 day period commences the day after personal service or mailing of this decision. (The date of mailing of this decision is shown below.) The petition for rehearing should be filed with the State of Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board.

A petition for rehearing is not a prerequisite for appeal directly to circuit court through a petition for judicial review.

## 2. Judicial Review.

Any person aggrieved by this decision has a right to petition for judicial review of this decision as provided in section 227.53 of the Wisconsin Statutes, a copy of which is attached. The petition should be filed in circuit court and served upon the State of Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board

within 30 days of service of this decision if there has been no petition for rehearing, or within 30 days of service of the order finally disposing of the petition for rehearing, or within 30 days after the final disposition by operation of law of any petition for rehearing.

The 30 day period commences the day after personal service or mailing of the decision or order, or the day after the final disposition by operation of the law of any petition for rehearing. (The date of mailing of this decision is shown below.) A petition for judicial review should be served upon, and name as the respondent, the following: the State of Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board.

The date of mailing of this decision is	May 6, 1993.
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